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Seniors Jamie Lutkus (left) and Patrick Heffernan will captain the Fighting Irish during the 2005-06 season.

Introduction

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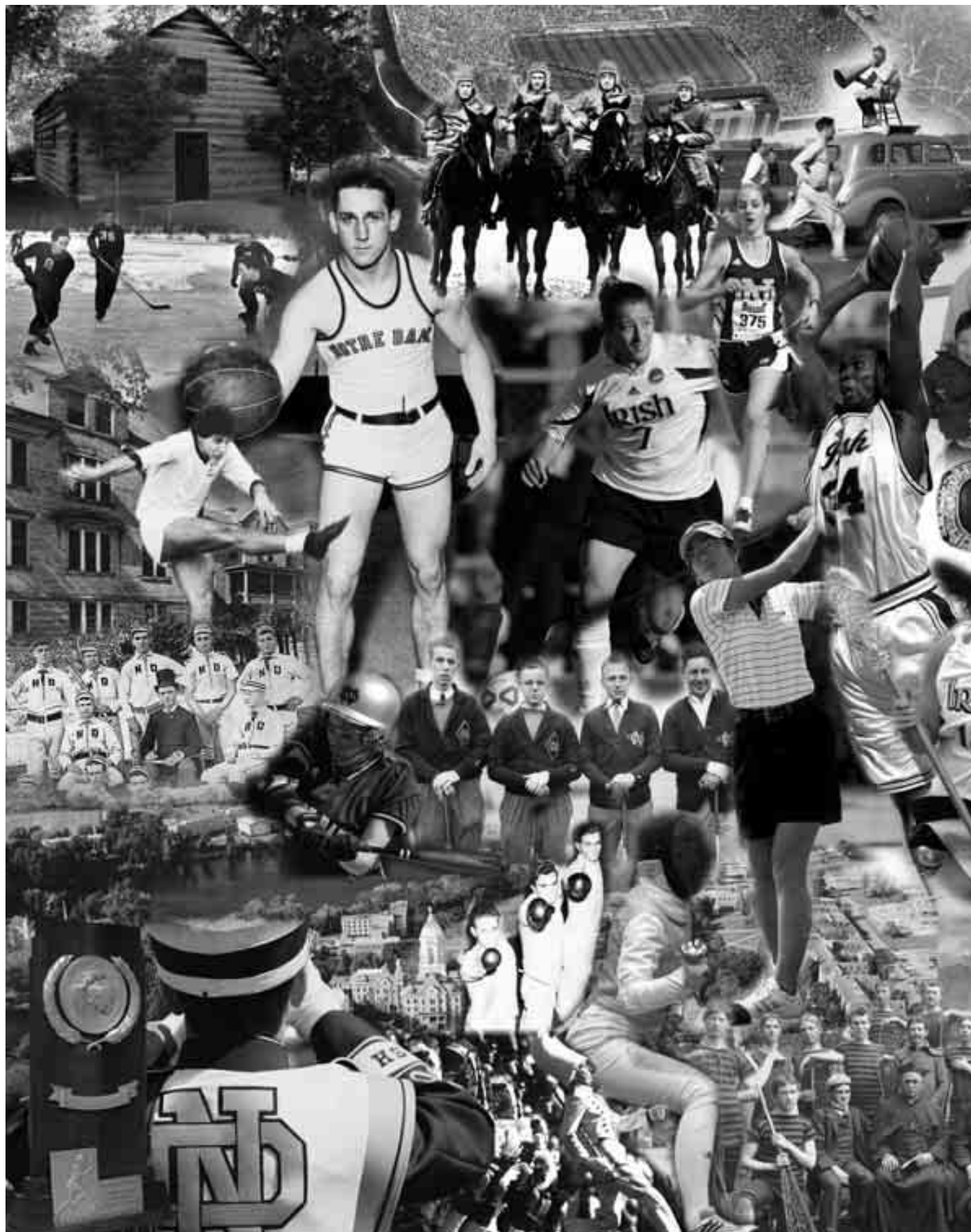
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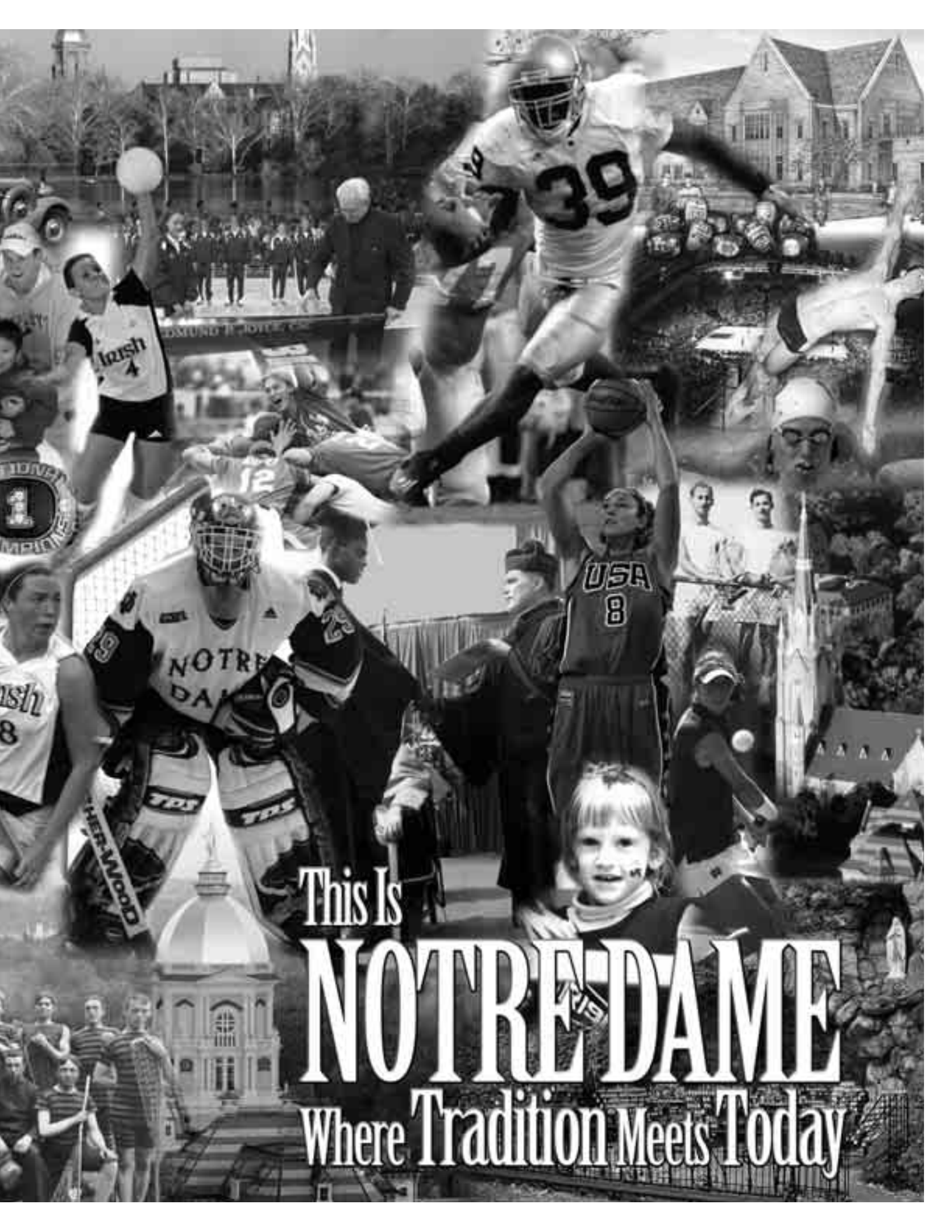
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Doug Bauman,
Steve Shomberger,
Patrick O'Berry, Bryan Guarnier
(back row, from left)
Jamie Lutkus, Patrick Heffernan,
Tim Randolph, Chris Barnes,
Tyler Grenda, Patrick Davis





Season

Preview

Last season Tim Kegelman became the first swimmer in Notre Dame history to qualify for the NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships (100 fly, 200 fly, 200 IM). The Yorktown, Va., native also led the team in points during the 2004-05 season (407.75) along with capturing three BIG EAST titles.



Notre Dame Poised to Defend BIG EAST Title and Go Beyond

Fighting Irish depth will be the key to success as the team looks to qualify more for the NCAA's

For nine seasons the Notre Dame men's swimming and diving team was one of the hunters in the BIG EAST Conference. The Fighting Irish will now embark on the 2005-06 campaign as the hunted after knocking off the eight-time defending league champion Pittsburgh to win the program's first-ever BIG EAST title last season. A deep squad returns for the Irish and there is no reason to believe the team cannot repeat the success of the 2004-05 team.

That success was not isolated to the conference title. For just the second time in program history, Notre Dame sent a student-athlete to the NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships. Tim Kegelman became the first Fighting Irish swimmer to compete at the national meet. Kegelman returns to the Irish for his junior campaign and will help to anchor a talented Notre Dame roster.

Head coach Tim Welsh feels that last season's success put the Irish at a level they have been striving to achieve. Staying at that level is now the work for the coaching staff and student-athletes. Last year was no fluke and this year looks to be another example of the solid foundation that is the Notre Dame men's swimming and diving team.

Notre Dame welcomes back a seasoned and versatile roster that is very deep. Of the 14 individual school swimming records, nine are occupied by current Irish athletes. The Fighting Irish welcome back 10 all-BIG EAST performers, including three conference champions from one year ago.

"Our strength throughout these past few years has been our depth," says Welsh. "That will continue this year. If you were to say what the strength of this year's team is, it would be our team strength. We have been quite strong in the distance freestyle events and that definitely continues. So we think our distance freestyle is going to be powerful."

The Fighting Irish are coming off a 10-2 dual meet record and repeating that mark will be a difficult task. Notre Dame has arguably the toughest schedule in program history. Following the 41st-annual Dennis Stark Relays, the Irish will welcome in Texas A&M on Friday, Oct. 21. The Aggies, one of the top teams in the country year in and year out, placed 15th at last year's NCAA Championship. A trip to Purdue on Saturday, Oct. 29 will close out the opening month of the campaign.

Notre Dame will travel to perennial BIG EAST power Pittsburgh on Friday, Nov. 4 to battle the Panthers. Pittsburgh will be looking for a measure of revenge as the Irish dethroned the eight-time defending BIG EAST champions last season. Notre Dame also defeated the Panthers



Senior Tim Randolph owns the University's 100-yard breaststroke mark (55.18) along with being a part of four school-record relays (200 medley, 400 medley, 200 free, 400 free). He will be a key component as the Fighting Irish look to repeat as BIG EAST champions this season.

by 10 points in the Rolfs Aquatic Center last year in a meet that came down to the final relay event.

"We want to see if we can meet the challenge of going on the road to Pittsburgh," says Welsh. "I know we'll be ready for that. Texas A&M, Purdue and Pittsburgh are all normally ranked in the top-25. So that's a very strong start."

The Notre Dame Invitational takes place Thursday, Dec. 1 through Saturday, Dec. 3 at the Rolfs Aquatic Center. The Irish will welcome in Saint Louis, Truman State, Utah and Wyoming.

Notre Dame travels to Evansville, Ind., for a match-up with the Purple Aces on Friday, Jan. 13. Some members of the Irish will also be competing at the Dallas Morning News Meet that same weekend of Jan. 13 and 14.

"The Dallas Morning News Meet is one of the most prestigious meets in the country," says Welsh. "Everybody brings eight swimmers and a diver. It will include all ranked teams in SMU, Florida, Florida State, Northwestern, Washington and Notre Dame. That's the field. It will also be the first time Notre Dame has competed in this event."

Another difficult opponent awaits the Irish as they travel to Evanston, Ill., for a dual meet with Northwestern on Friday, Jan. 20. Notre Dame will head back home for the annual match-up versus Cleveland State on Saturday, Jan. 21.

Notre Dame closes out the regular-season by hosting the Shamrock Invitational on Friday, Jan. 27 and Saturday, Jan. 28. The invitational will feature a very strong field in Louisville, Oakland (Mich.), Missouri and Penn State along with the Fighting Irish.

The Irish will look to defend their BIG EAST title at the 2006 BIG EAST Swimming & Diving Championships Wednesday, Feb. 15 through Saturday, Feb. 18. The conference meet will take place in East Meadow, N.Y.

"We want to do more than defend our BIG EAST title," Welsh says. "We definitely want to defend it but we also want to improve over last year's team. We want to be faster than we were last year and we also want to repeat. Then we'll want to move from there to the NCAA Championships in March."

Scheduling top-notch programs is just one step that is required to become one of the nation's best. The Irish garnered the first national ranking in school history last season and Welsh wants to keep Notre Dame as a permanent fixture among the ranked.

"All the things we accomplished last year, we still look at them as preparations for where we want to be and what the program wants to do," states Welsh. "Our aspiration is that we want to live at this level. We want to live at the nationally-ranked level, we want to live as much as possible at the conference champion level and we want to live at the NCAA championship level."

Sending more student-athletes to the NCAA's is a definite possibility for this year's squad. Five returning Fighting Irish swimmers earned NCAA consideration cuts last season and this year they will look to punch their own ticket. Tim Randolph nearly made it in the 100-yard breast as did Steve Shomberger in the 200-yard backstroke. Ted Brown (500-yard free), Jamie Lutkus (400-yard IM) and Jay Vanden Berg (1,650-yard free) all notched NCAA "B" cuts as well and will try to make their way to Atlanta, Ga., for this year's meet and get the Irish on the scoreboard for the first time in school history.

"What's been beautiful about this progress the team has made over these past few years is that it's a team-unified supportive group effort," says Welsh. "The group wants to send more people to the meet. Obviously their first choice is that they'd like to be the one who goes. But it's not a self-centered commitment; it's a team-unified commitment. We want more people to qualify and the potential number of qualifiers at this point is large."

FREESTYLE:

Welsh's goal is to create a deep team and that depth begins with the distance freestyle events. The 500-yard, 1,000-yard and 1,650-yard freestyles should all be strong for Notre Dame this season. All major contributors in those events from last season are back and are poised to be even deeper and stronger this campaign.

Junior Ted Brown is the school record-holder in the 500 free (4:25.83) and anchors a solid unit that also features sophomore Jay Vanden Berg and senior Patrick Davis. Brown and Vanden Berg went 1-2 in the BIG EAST meet last season.

Vanden Berg won the league title in the 1,650 free as a freshman with a school record time of



15:19.30. Swimming the second and third fastest times on the team last year was Chris Zeches, who returns for his junior season. Zeches' top mark of 15:40.06 placed him second at the BIG EAST meet behind his teammate Vanden Berg.

In all, the top seven swimmers in the 1,650 free from the '04-'05 campaign return for this season. Junior Justin Barber and senior Patrick Davis placed fifth and sixth, respectively in the conference last year. Davis owns the fourth-best 1,650 time in school history (15:34.41), which he swam en route to a runner-up finish in the 2004 BIG EAST Championships. Sophomore Rob Seery is coming off a solid freshman campaign, which saw him post a top 1,650 free time of 15:48.72. Freshman Jace Hopper will make the distance-freestylers even deeper. Hopper and Vanden Berg swam distance events at the national championships over the summer.

"Our distance freestyle group is just a very, very strong group and a very deep group," states Welsh. "We will be relying on our distance lanes to be the power for us all year long."

Senior Tim Randolph and junior Louis Cavadini headline the returnees in the 50 and 100 free events. They will use their competitiveness and experience to lead a younger crop of short freestylers. Some questions exist when it comes to the shorter freestyle events as the Irish look to replace graduated senior Frank Krakowski, who holds the school's 50-yard free record (20:45).

Members of Notre Dame's talented freshmen class will be looked upon to try to overcome the loss of Krakowski. Three of the rookies who will try to fill the void are younger brothers of current upperclassmen on the Notre Dame roster. David Cavadini, the younger brother of Louis, is the reigning Indiana high school state champion in the 100-yard freestyle. Daniel Lutkus joins his older brother Jamie on the roster and the younger Lutkus was one of the best middle-distance freestyle swimmers in the state of Indiana during his prep years at Penn High School in Mishawaka, Ind. Bill Bauman, who is the younger brother of Doug, is a backstroker who can also compete in the freestyle sprint events.

"We don't know what is going to happen with our shorter freestyle events," says Welsh. "The opportunity is wide, wide open. It'll be interesting if the (younger) brothers can emerge in those events."

Welsh views the depth in the distance freestyle events as a positive in more ways than one.

"Our depth in the distance freestyle may allow distance freestylers who have a little more speed to emerge in the middle distance events like the 200," states Welsh. "Ted Brown, for example, led us in the 200 freestyle last year. He's a very good distance freestyler and we may not need him now and the 200 freestyle is where he stays."

Brown posted the team's best 200 free time last season (1:38.64) and is also the school's 500 free recordholder with a time of 4:25.83. Sophomore Rob Seery is another distance freestyler that could emerge in the 200 free along with senior Patrick O'Berry. O'Berry has terrific leadership skills and a good work ethic and may be a candidate to fill in for graduated senior Matt Bertke as they both swim identical events.

Many opportunities are available for Irish swimmers in the shorter distance freestyle events. One of the most versatile swimmers on

the roster is junior Brian Freeman and he may look to fill some of the vacancies as well. His 200 free experience could be very valuable to the squad along with his ability to swim the 200 IM and backstroke events. Senior Chris Barnes brings additional veteran experience to the pool in the freestyle. Junior Alan Carter is coming off a solid summer of training and will look to factor into the mix as will Nick Fanslau, a junior who possesses good power and speed and is looking for a breakout year.

BACKSTROKE:

Notre Dame's backstroke depth continues as the Irish return four of the top five performers in the history of the program in both the 100-yard and 200-yard events. A nice mixture of experienced leadership and some youth should bode very well for the Fighting Irish in the two backstroke events this season.

Doug Bauman and Steve Shomberger will be the anchors of the backstroke events. Bauman holds the University's 100-yard record (50.08) and Shomberger owns the 200-yard mark (1:46.06). The duo has teamed up to record the top nine 200-yard times in school history and Shomberger is the defending 200-yard backstroke champion in the BIG EAST Conference. Their leadership will be vital as younger student-athletes are on the verge of being major factors in the backstroke events.

Sophomore Andrew MacKay ranks second in Notre Dame history in the 100 back (50.11), while junior Alan Carter is fourth all time in the 100 and 200 back events. They will be able to provide additional help to Bauman and Shomberger. Freeman ranks fifth all-time in the 200-yard back at Notre Dame and he will once again be able to show off his versatility along with Zeches, who will also be a part of the mix. Also adding depth to the Fighting Irish backstroke corps will be freshmen Mitchell Sherman and Bill Bauman.

BREASTSTROKE:

The 100 and 200-yard breaststroke events present very different challenges yet the Irish have depth in both areas. Randolph and Eric Swenson rank first and third, respectively in school history in the 100-yard breast. Randolph, a senior, posted an NCAA "B" cut and school-record time of 55.18 in the 100 breast at last year's BIG EAST Championships. The sophomore Swenson has developed quite nicely and had a phenomenal summer in which he established lifetime-bests at the U.S. Nationals.

"Eric Swenson made his first U.S. long-course national cut in the 100 breaststroke this summer," comments Welsh. "That's not a time that automatically transfers to a qualifying time for the NCAA meet but it's in the ballpark."

Welsh refers to senior Tyler Grenda as "Mr. Consistency" for his abilities in the 200-yard breaststroke. Grenda copped all-BIG EAST honors last season

in the 200 breast by posting a third-place finish at the conference meet. He ranks third all-time in school history in the 200 event, which he tends to swim faster than the 100, as does freshman Daniel Rave. However, Grenda did post a 10th-place finish in the 100 at last year's BIG EAST meet.

Expecting to factor into the breaststroke mix is junior Nick Fanslau, who placed eighth in the 100 breast at the conference meet last season. Bringing depth to the 200 breaststroke will be Jamie Lutkus and Graham Parker. Lutkus was seventh in the 200 breast at the 2005 BIG EAST Championships.

BUTTERFLY:

It is no secret who the Irish will turn to in the butterfly events. Kegelman holds school records in both the 100-yard (47.66) and 200-yard (1:47.53) events. He gained a berth to the 2005 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships with a "B" cut time of 47.66 in the 100 fly at the Notre Dame Invitational. He would also go on to win the BIG EAST title in that event. The junior expects to make a return visit to the national meet again this season.

Krakowski's departure will also be felt in the butterfly events but Louis Cavadini and Shomberger will be key factors to filling the absence. Some of the freshmen will also be turned to again for help in the fly as will O'Berry and Patrick Heffernan. The senior Heffernan, a very consistent swimmer in the fly event, will serve as team captain along with classmate Jamie Lutkus.

Team Information

2004-05 Record:

10-2

2005 BIG EAST Championships:

1st, 902.50 pts.

BIG EAST Champions Returning:

Doug Bauman (400 Medley Relay), Tim Kegelman (100 Fly, 200 IM, 400 Medley Relay), Tim Randolph (400 Medley Relay), Steve Shomberger (200 Back), Jay Vanden Berg (1,650 Free)

University Recordholders Returning:

Doug Bauman, Sr. - 100 back (50.08), 200 medley relay (1:30.12), 400 medley relay (3:16.93)

Ted Brown, Jr. - 500 free (4:25.83)

Louis Cavadini, Jr. - 200 free relay (1:20.64), 400 free relay (3:00.02), 800 free relay (6:40.79)

Brian Freeman, Jr. - 800 free relay (6:40.79)

Tim Kegelman, Jr. - 100 fly (47.66), 200 fly (1:47.53), 200 IM (1:49.48), 200 medley relay (1:30.12), 400 medley relay (3:16.93), 200 free relay (1:20.64), 400 free relay (3:00.02)

Jamie Lutkus, Sr. - 400 IM (3:54.38)

Tim Randolph, Sr. - 100 breast (55.18), 200 medley relay (1:30.12), 400 medley relay (3:16.93), 200 free relay (1:20.64), 400 free relay (3:00.02)

Steve Shomberger, Sr. - 200 back (1:46.06)

Jay Vanden Berg, So. - 1,650 free (15:19.30)

Pool Recordholders Returning:

Tim Kegelman, Jr. - 100 fly (47.66), 200 fly (1:47.53), 200 IM (1:49.48)

Monogram Winners Returning/Lost:

27/3

2005-06 Captains:

Patrick Heffernan

Jamie Lutkus



Cavadini placed seventh in the BIG EAST in the 100-yard butterfly last season, while Brown did the same in the 200 fly. Heffernan clocked an eighth-place showing in the 200 butterfly in the conference meet.

There should be no shortage of candidates to help fill spots in both butterfly events and that is something Welsh is well aware of.

"The 200 butterfly is an event where we have a lot of candidates and it's upperclassman dominated," says Welsh. "It's comforting to know that we have upperclassmen in the event and also it's time for one of the younger guys to say 'I'm here, too'. So we hope that is what happens."

INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY:

Depth is also the story with the Notre Dame individual medley events. Kegelman returns to anchor the 200 IM corps after winning the BIG EAST title last season, while Jamie Lutkus returns to solidify the 400 IM group yet again. Members of the freshman class will be depended on to give those guys support.

The top five performers in the 200 IM return from last year. Besides Kegelman, Jamie Lutkus, MacKay, Carter and Fanslau keep improving and illustrate just how deep the team will be. Kegelman and Jamie Lutkus rank 1-2 in school history in the 200 IM, while MacKay is fifth, Carter is eighth and Fanslau ranks 10th. Lutkus placed fourth in the event at the BIG EAST meet last season and MacKay posted a fifth-place showing.

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

By Class

Seniors (10): Barnes, D. Bauman, Davis, Grenda, Guarnier, Heffernan, J. Lutkus, O'Berry, Randolph, Shomberger

Juniors (9): Barber, Brown, Carter, L. Cavadini, Coyle, Fanslau, Freeman, Kegelman, Zeches

Sophomores (10): Crowe, Fernandez, Kane, MacKay, Maggio, Parker, Seery, Stoner, Swenson, Vanden Berg

Freshmen (8): B. Bauman, Bulfin, D. Cavadini, Hopper, D. Lutkus, Pendergast, Rave, Sherman

By Stroke

Backstroke (9): D. Bauman, B. Bauman, Carter, Freeman, MacKay, Seery, Sherman, Shomberger, Zeches

Breaststroke (10): Fanslau, Fernandez, Grenda, J. Lutkus, Parker, Pendergast, Randolph, Rave, Swenson

Butterfly (10): Brown, L. Cavadini, Fernandez, Guarnier, Heffernan, Kegelman, O'Berry, Seery, Shomberger, Zeches

Freestyle (19): Barber, Barnes, D. Bauman, Brown, Carter, D. Cavadini, L. Cavadini, Davis, Fanslau, Freeman, Guarnier, Hopper, Kegelman, D. Lutkus, O'Berry, Randolph, Seery, Vanden Berg, Zeches

Individual Medley (14): Barber, Brown, Carter, Davis, Fanslau, Freeman, Heffernan, Kegelman, J. Lutkus, MacKay, Parker, Rave, Sherman

Diving (6): Bulfin, Coyle, Crowe, Kane, Maggio, Stoner



Junior Scott Coyle will serve as the veteran of the six-man Notre Dame diving corps. The Fighting Irish also welcome back Sam Stoner, who participated in the NCAA Zone Championships last season. In addition, freshman Michael Bulfin will be in the mix along with sophomores Steven Crowe, Chris Kane and Mike Maggio.

Jamie Lutkus is the school recordholder in the 400-yard IM (3:54.38) and he brings experience, including the 2004 BIG EAST title in the event to the Irish lineup. He garnered all-BIG EAST accolades in the event, again last year by placing third in the conference meet.

The Fighting Irish will have to replace departed senior David Moisan, yet the depth of the team should be able to show its strength once again. MacKay, Barber, Brown, Heffernan and Davis bring back a veteran presence to the 400 IM unit, while Hopper and Rave will add some youth to the mix.

Also returning to both IM events is Parker, who is coming back after being sick most of last season. He enjoyed a very good summer of training. Senior Bryan Guarnier and junior Dean Fernandez will also compete in the IM and when it's all said and done the Irish should be even deeper this year than in 2004-05.

"If you are trying to build team depth, distance freestyle and individual medley events are the way to go," says Welsh. "One of the things we like about individual medley swimmers is they can all do something else. If you get a great individual medley swimmer, they can do something else. We've been wanting that balance."

RELAYS:

The Fighting Irish relay teams appear to be in great shape. All five relay records were overhauled last season and at least three members from each of those teams are back this year.

Doug Bauman, Randolph and Kegelman were all part of the 200-yard and 400-yard medley relays that set University marks at the BIG EAST Championships. The 400-medley relay squad

captured the conference title with their time of 3:16.93, while the 200-medley relay placed second in 1:30.12.

All three of the freestyle relays also clocked the top times in program history at the conference meet. Randolph, Cavadini and Kegelman were part of the 200-yard and 400-yard freestyle relays, while Brown, Freeman and Cavadini swam the 800-yard free relay. The 200-yard free team placed second at the BIG EAST Championships with a time of 1:20.64.

"Our strongest relays will probably be our two medley relays," says Welsh. "They are the most experienced relays that we have returning. If we are going to repeat as BIG EAST champions, our relays must be strong. If we are going to win dual meets, our relays must be strong and if we are to be nationally ranked, our relays must be strong. We kind of need that team chemistry. The relays have been challenging for us because the strength and the weaknesses have been the same. We've been a team of depth as opposed to a team of superstars and the relays usually measure superstars."

DIVING:

Notre Dame's diving unit will be as deep as it's been in years with six student-athletes on the roster. Last year's roster featured four freshmen and those student-athletes are back as sophomores and the Fighting Irish have added a talented rookie in Michael Bulfin.

"Michael Bulfin is a good diver," says Notre Dame diving coach Caiming Xie. "He still has some mechanics to fix but he's really pushing everyone hard. You can tell that just from the past two months of training. Everyone is working harder every day."

The Irish's top returnee in the diving corps is sophomore Sam Stoner, who competed in the NCAA Zone Championships as a freshman last season. He also made it to the finals off both boards at the BIG EAST Championships. Stoner showed tremendous improvement throughout last season that ultimately resulted in him competing in the championships. The Irish will be looking for similar results from each of the divers this season.

Junior Scott Coyle is the veteran of the six-man group and he, along with sophomores Steven Crowe, Chris Kane and Mike Maggio look to make the Notre Dame diving unit a contributing factor as the team aims for another BIG EAST title.

"Everybody wants to do better and dive better," states Caiming. "Michael (Bulfin) and Sam (Stoner) should definitely qualify for the BIG EAST meet. Chris (Kane) still has a lot to work on but he may have a chance to be in the top-eight of the BIG EAST. Right now he's probably in the eight to twelve range."

"I'm happy with what everyone is doing right now. Our main concern is staying healthy. We need to stay healthy so we can have consistent training."

Tim Welsh is well aware how important the diving corps is to the overall success of the team.

"Our diving unit has gone from thin to strong and deep," states Welsh. "Having six divers is a significant number for BIG EAST competition and a strong number for dual meet competition. It's also important within the team for team development. It provides movement around who dives where and who moves up. Our diving program is very healthy and strong."





The 2005-06 Notre Dame Men's Swimming & Diving Team: (front row, from left) Steve Shomberger, Nick Fanslau, Jay Vanden Berg, Sam Pendergast, David Cavadini, Jace Hopper, Scott Coyle, Mike Maggio, Chris Zeches, Tim Kegelman, Brian Freeman, Bryan Guarnier, Dean Fernandez. (middle row, from left) Bill Bauman, Justin Barber, Andrew MacKay, Patrick Davis, Chris Kane, Steven Crowe, Sam Stoner, Mitchell Sherman, Michael Bulfin, diving coach Caiming Xie, head coach Tim Welsh. (back row, from left) Louis Cavadini, Daniel Rave, Chris Barnes, Tim Randolph, Tyler Grenda, Daniel Lutkus, Rob Seery, Patrick O'Berry, Alan Carter, Eric Swenson, Doug Bauman, Ted Brown, assistant coach Matt Tallman, volunteer assistant coach Josh Skube. (standing, from left) Jamie Lutkus, Patrick Heffernan

2005-06 NOTRE DAME MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING ROSTER

Name	Event	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	Hometown/High School
** Justin Barber	IM/Free	Jr.	5-9	150	12-8-84	Carson City, NV/Carson
Chris Barnes	Free	Sr.	6-2	184	3-8-84	Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier
*** Doug Bauman	Back/Free	Sr.	6-0	175	7-27-84	Erie, PA/Cathedral Preparatory School
Bill Bauman	Back	Fr.	5-11	154	2-10-87	Erie, PA/Cathedral Preparatory School
** Ted Brown	Fly/IM/Free	Jr.	6-2	165	4-1-85	Kokomo, IN/Western
Michael Bulfin	Diving	Fr.	5-9	138	7-11-87	Ft. Lauderdale, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
** Alan Carter	Back/Free/IM	Jr.	6-1	175	3-2-85	Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park
David Cavadini	Free	Fr.	6-0	150	10-23-86	South Bend, IN/Riley
** Louis Cavadini	Fly/Free	Jr.	6-0	165	3-6-85	South Bend, IN/Riley
** Scott Coyle	Diving	Jr.	5-8	170	11-30-84	Indianapolis, IN/Hamilton Southeastern
* Steven Crowe	Diving	So.	5-9	152	4-11-86	Brockport, NY/Brockport
Patrick Davis	Free/IM	Sr.	5-9	155	4-22-84	Clearwater, FL/Jesuit
** Nick Fanslau	Breast/Free/IM	Jr.	6-1	195	10-15-84	Lansdale, PA/North Penn
Dean Fernandez	Breast/Fly	So.	5-11	160	12-21-85	San Diego, CA/Carlsbad
** Brian Freeman	Back/Free/IM	Jr.	5-11	165	4-2-84	Sanger, CA/Immanuel
*** Tyler Grenda	Breast	Sr.	6-3	175	5-29-84	Hockessin, DE/Salesianum
** Bryan Guarnier	Fly/Free	Sr.	5-10	190	9-11-83	Queensbury, NY/Glen Falls
*** Patrick Heffernan (C)	Fly/IM	Sr.	5-11	172	9-18-83	Norcross, GA/Norcross
Jace Hopper	Free	Fr.	5-11	150	12-14-86	Las Vegas, NV/The Meadows
* Chris Kane	Diving	So.	5-7	140	1-26-86	San Antonio, TX/Ronald Reagan
** Tim Kegelman	Fly/IM/Free	Jr.	5-11	175	4-25-85	Yorktown, VA/Tabb
Daniel Lutkus	Free	Fr.	6-4	195	10-2-86	Granger, IN/Penn
*** Jamie Lutkus (C)	IM/Breast	Sr.	6-2	196	5-18-84	Granger, IN/Penn
* Andrew MacKay	IM/Back	So.	5-9	155	11-1-85	Georgetown, Grand Cayman/Cayman Prep & H.S.
Mike Maggio	Diving	So.	5-10	145	8-2-86	Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier
*** Patrick O'Berry	Free/Fly	Sr.	6-1	185	1-14-84	Alpharetta, GA/Milton
* Graham Parker	Breast/IM	So.	6-0	190	10-20-85	Pilesgrove, NJ/Cherry Hill H.S. East
Samuel Pendergast	Breast	Fr.	6-2	204	6-18-86	Melbourne, Australia/Warrnambool College
*** Tim Randolph	Free/Breast	Sr.	6-2	190	7-6-84	Crown Point, IN/Merrillville
Daniel Rave	Breast/IM	Fr.	6-1	166	5-15-86	Hannover, Germany
* Rob Seery	Free	So.	6-5	180	3-29-86	Garden City, NY/Garden City
Mitchell Sherman	Back/IM	Fr.	5-7	160	6-10-86	Columbus, OH/St. Charles Prep
*** Steve Shomberger	Back/Fly	Sr.	6-0	183	9-7-84	Spotsylvania, VA/Courtland
* Sam Stoner	Diving	So.	5-7	145	8-3-85	Valparaiso, IN/Valparaiso
* Eric Swenson	Breast	So.	6-3	200	4-15-86	Scotch Plains, NJ/St. Joseph
* Jay Vanden Berg	Free	So.	5-11	165	9-13-85	Holland, MI/Southfield Christian School
** Chris Zeches	Back/Free/Fly	Jr.	6-0	165	10-9-84	Tucson, AZ/Salpointe Catholic

Head Coach: Tim Welsh (Providence '66)
Diving Coach: Caiming Xie (Beijing Inst. of P.E. '85)
Assistant Coach: Matt Tallman (Catholic '97)
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Josh Skube (Indiana '98)
Senior Manager: Elizabeth Frierott (Notre Dame, '06)
 * - denotes monograms earned
 C - denotes captain

Pronunciation Guide

Bauman.....BOW(like wow)-min	MaggioMADGE-ee-o
Fanslau.....FANS-law	RaveRAH-vey
Guarniergar-NEAR	SkubeSCOO-bee
KegelmanKEG-el-min	TallmanTALL-min
LutkusLUTT-cuss	Xiezhee
MacKaymuh-KAI	ZechesZECK-iss



**Qualifying for the
BIG EAST Championships**

In order to qualify for the BIG EAST Swimming and Diving Championships, a student-athlete must achieve an "A" qualifying standard in at least one event. Once in the field, a student-athlete may swim up to two additional events in which he has achieved a "B" qualifying time. He may initially enter as many events as he has "B" qualifying times for, but must then scratch down to a maximum of three events with at least one being an event in which he has an "A" qualifying time. No amount of "B" qualifying times equals an "A" qualifying time; thus, no athlete without an "A" qualifying time in some event makes the field for individual swimming events. Each team may qualify an unlimited number of competitors to the meet, but may enter only 23, with divers counting as one-half.

There are no qualifying standards for relays. Each school with individual qualifiers may enter one relay team in each event. If a school has fewer than 15 individual qualifiers, it also can add one or more swimmers to its entry list for the sole purpose of swimming relays, with the number of additions determined by the number of qualifiers the school has.

Qualifying standards determine the berths in the diving competitions. A diver must achieve a qualifying score and degree of difficulty, both at the same time, to gain entrance to the meet. Divers must qualify separately for each event, and there are different standards for dual and championship competition.

**2006 BIG EAST Conference Swimming
and Diving Qualifying Standards**

Event	A	B
50 Freestyle	21.65	22.29
100 Freestyle	47.16	48.57
200 Freestyle	1:44.79	1:47.93
500 Freestyle	4:41.59	4:50.03
1650 Freestyle	16:35.80	17:09.67
100 Butterfly	52.24	53.80
200 Butterfly	1:57.19	2:00.70
100 Backstroke	54.54	56.17
200 Backstroke	1:57.99	2:01.52
100 Breaststroke	1:00.78	1:02.60
200 Breaststroke	2:12.38	2:16.35
200 Individual Medley	1:57.47	2:00.99
400 Individual Medley	4:11.32	4:18.85
1m Diving	250	240
3m Diving	Dual: 260 Champ: 415	Dual: 250 Champ.: 405

Qualifying for the NCAA Championships

The NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships have a fixed field of 270 swimmers, including 35 divers. The swimming field consists first of all student-athletes who have achieved an "A" qualifying standard in any event. Beyond that, entry is given to student-athletes with the best "B" qualifying standards in events with the fewest "A" qualifiers until all the events have an equal number of entrants. From there, additional "B" qualifiers are added in order, one per event at a time, until the field size of 270 is reached. If a complete additional round of next-best qualifiers will put the field over 270, the times that are closest in percentage terms to the national record are given the final spots in the field. Any student-athlete in the field may enter and compete in a maximum of three events.

For instance, if there are four "A" qualifiers in the 100 backstroke, 10 in the 100 butterfly, and between four and 10 in every other event, then the top "B" qualifying times will be given entrance until every event has 10 participants in it. From there, the next best "B" time is added in each event, one by one, until the field is full. If not enough spaces remain to take the next entire round of "B" qualifiers, those swimmers' times are compared in percentage terms to NCAA records in the events and taken in order until the field is full.

In relay competition, teams with the top 12 times in each relay earn invitations to the meet. In addition, a team with four qualifiers also may compete in any relay in which it posted a "B" qualifying time at some point throughout the year, even if the NCAA qualifiers did not participate in the "B" time.

The diving field is determined by performance at five NCAA zone meets, which take place two weeks prior to the NCAA Championships. A student-athlete qualifies for the zone diving meet by registering a performance in which he scores points equal or better than the qualifying standard. Each zone sends a minimum of four divers to the NCAA meet, with the zones that had better performances at the previous year's NAAs getting additional entries. In 2005, Zone C, in which Notre Dame competes, will send six divers to the NCAA Championships. Once in the 35-diver field, a student-athlete may compete in both the one- and three-meter springboard events, but can only take part in the platform competition if he participated in it at the zone meet.

2006 NCAA Swimming and Diving Qualifying Standards

Event	25-Yard Course		25-Meter Course		50-Meter Course	
	A	B	A	B	A	B
50 Freestyle	:19.74	:20.33	:22.04	:22.70	:22.69	:23.37
100 Freestyle	:43.35	:44.65	:48.39	:49.84	:49.83	:51.33
200 Freestyle	1:35.60	1:38.46	1:46.70	1:49.89	1:49.26	1:52.53
500 Freestyle	4:19.63	4:27.41	3:47.15	3:53.96	3:54.96	4:02.00
1,650 Freestyle	15:05.87	15:33.04	15:03.17	15:30.25	15:29.10	15:56.97
100 Butterfly	:47.25	:48.66	:52.74	:54.31	:53.39	:54.99
200 Butterfly	1:44.93	1:48.07	1:57.11	2:00.62	1:59.24	2:02.81
100 Backstroke	:47.43	:48.85	:52.94	:54.53	:54.52	:56.16
200 Backstroke	1:44.02	1:47.14	1:56.10	1:59.58	1:59.57	2:03.16
100 Breaststroke	:53.60	:55.62	:59.83	1:02.08	1:01.97	1:04.31
200 Breaststroke	1:56.55	2:00.87	2:10.08	2:14.91	2:14.75	2:19.74
200 Individual Medley	1:46.49	1:49.89	1:58.86	2:02.65	2:03.12	2:07.05
400 Individual Medley	3:46.89	3:54.10	4:13.23	4:21.28	4:20.80	4:29.09
200 Freestyle Relay	1:18.47	1:20.82	1:27.58	1:30.21	1:30.20	1:32.90
400 Freestyle Relay	2:54.21	2:59.43	3:14.44	3:20.26	3:20.25	3:26.25
800 Freestyle Relay	6:26.08	6:37.66	7:10.90	7:23.82	7:21.24	7:34.47
200 Medley Relay	1:26.52	1:29.32	1:36.57	1:39.69	1:39.11	1:42.32
400 Medley Relay	3:11.96	3:18.13	3:34.25	3:41.13	3:39.89	3:46.96

1-Meter Diving Points-Dual 290/300***

3-Meter Diving Points-Dual 310/320***

Platform Diving Points-Dual 290/300***

***qualifying point total when using six optional dives with standard D.D.

